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SUBJECT: SECOND US-JAPAN CONFERENCE ON SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT

REFERENCE: TOKYO 3073

1. DUE TO DELAY IN FINAL GOJ DECISIONS ON PROPOSED
CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION, DATES, COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION,
AND SITE VISITS (REFTEL), EPA HAS BEEN UNABLE TO CARRY OUT
NECESSARY CONFERENCE PLANNING. EPA OFFICIALS BELIEVE
THAT TIME IS NOW EXTREMELY SHORT FOR EITHER SIDE TO
PREPARE FULLY, AND THEY PROPOSE POSTPONING CONFERENCE UNTIL
SEPTEMBER, WHICH IS EARLIEST POSSIBLE PERIOD FOR WHICH
EPA CAN RESCHEDULE CONFERENCE.

2. SEPTEMBER RESCHEDULING HAS SOME ADVANTAGES IN THAT
IT WOULD ALLOW BOTH SIDES MORE TIME FOR PLANNING, AND
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WOULD ALSO PROVIDE GOJ DEL OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND INSTITUTE

OF SOLID WASTE (A COMPONENT OF AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION) ANNUAL MEETING IN TORONTO SEPTEMBER 20-22 AS PART OF US-JAPAN SOLID WASTE CONFERENCE. UNDER THIS ARRANGEMENT EPA PROPOSES SITE VISITS OF ONE OR TWO WEEKS DURATION PRIOR TO, FOLLOWING, OR SANDWICHED AROUND THE ISW MEETING, AND CONCLUDING WITH CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON BEGINNING WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22, SEPTEMBER 29, OR OCTOBER 6 AS APPROPRIATE. EPA ENTIRELY FLEXIBLE

AS TO EXTENT AND TIMING OF SITE VISITS, AND WILL ARRANGE PROGRAM ACCORDING TO GOJ DESIRES.

3. SHOULD PROPOSED SEPTEMBER DATES BE INCONVENIENT FOR GOJ, EPA WOULD WELCOME POST-SEPTEMBER ALTERNATIVES. RUSH

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